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Springfield, Illinois.
October 30, 1974.

**UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
CITIZENS FOR IMPROVED PUBLIC OFFICE
HOLDERS WITHIN THE 24TH DISTRICT OF
ILLINOIS**

On October 26, 1974, [redacted] Paul Simon, Candidate for Congress from the 24th District of Illinois, advised that a pamphlet was being distributed in Southern Illinois which was anti-Simon. [redacted] related that the pamphlet contained as sponsor "Citizens for Improved Public office holders within the 24th Congressional District of Illinois" was being mailed to newspapers, radio stations and selected individuals throughout the 24th Congressional District. [redacted] stated that the Candidate, Simon feels this pamphlet would be a violation of Title 18, Section 612, United States Code. Since no names or identity of persons appear on the pamphlet. [redacted] on October 26, 1974 had only a poor copy of the pamphlet but would secure an original which he would supply.

On October 28, 1974 Mr. Paul Simon furnished an original pamphlet which had been mailed to Benton Evening News, Benton, Illinois, which bore postmark Carbondale, Illinois dated October 24, 1974. Envelope contained no return address.

The pamphlet states as follows:

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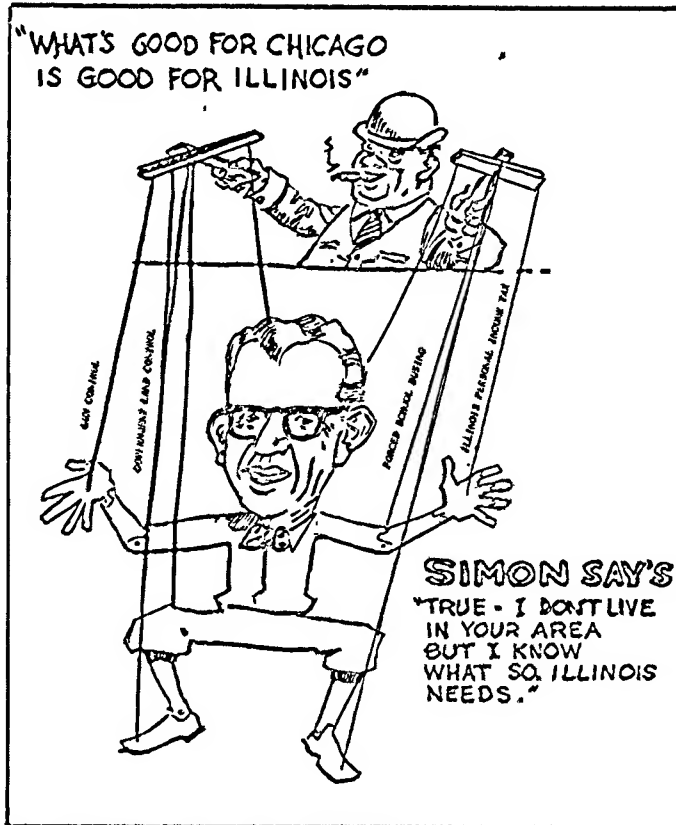
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We, the people here in the 24th Congressional District, fought to gain our freedom from Chicago rule twenty years ago. WE WON! Now, we have Paul Simon with his campaign war chest filled with Chicago money. Chicago's Political and Industrial bosses, as well as Springfield lobbyists have funneled over \$150,000.00 into Simon's Campaign fund to buy back the voting power of the 24th Congressional District. Over 85 per cent of all the campaign money Simon has collected is from the North. This is the same type campaign that Nixon ran, and they forced him to resign. Is it any different to do it on a smaller basis in Southern Illinois? Don't be tricked into giving up our representation now! Gray would not allow his vote to be combined on a State Delegation vote, but kept it separate for us. Simon will vote with the Delegation which will dilute our strength and our development here in the 24th Congressional District. ARE WE REALLY WILLING TO SELL OUR CONGRESSIONAL SEAT FOR \$150,000.00?

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From M. Paul Simon
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

Carbondale
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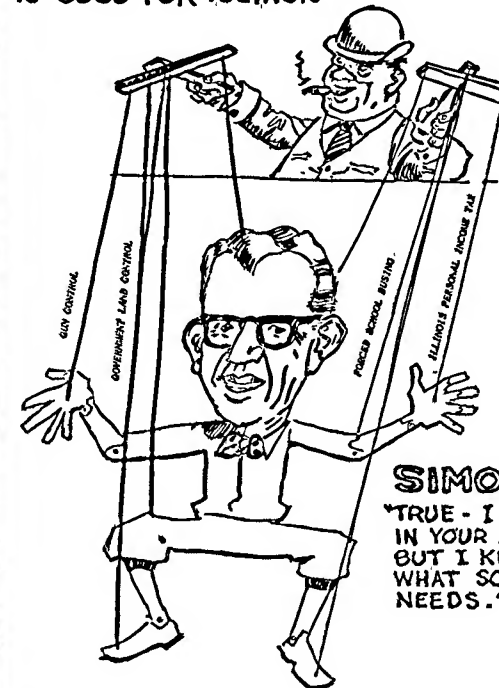
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"WHAT'S GOOD FOR CHICAGO IS GOOD FOR ILLINOIS"



SIMON SAYS
"TRUE - I DON'T LIVE IN YOUR AREA BUT I KNOW WHAT SO. ILLINOIS NEEDS."

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Date: 10/30/74

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

To: Director, FBI ATTENTION:

From: SAC SPRINGFIELD CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
GENERAL INVEST. DIV.
Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; INTELLIGENCE DIVISION
Citizens For Improved Public Offices
holders within the 24th Congressional
District of Illinois.

- CR EL DIH CRA-64
- PA PE PF E
- EID Bomb Threats Extremist Matters
- White Hate Black

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ACTION: UACB:

- No further action being taken and East St. Louis
- LHM enclosed Copy furnished to USA _____
- FD-376 (enclosure to LHM)
- LHM being submitted
- Report being submitted
- Preliminary investigation instituted
- Limited investigation instituted

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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI Probe Of Pamphlet Requested

Carbondale (AP)

The chairman of Paul Simon's congressional campaign has asked the FBI to investigate the distribution of a pamphlet vilifying the Carbondale Democrat.

Copies of the four-page pamphlet, titled "Open Letter to All the Residents of Southern Illinois," have been received by Republican officials, news papers and others. It identifies itself as a production of "Citizens of Improved Public Officeholders within the 24th Congressional District of Illinois."

Spokesmen for a group by that name could not be located.

The pamphlet accuses Simon of being a puppet of Chicago political interests, converting campaign funds for personal use and instigating race riots in Cairo.

It is, however, complimentary of Rep. Kenneth Gray, D-Ill., the retiring congressman whom Simon hopes to replace.

A spokesman for Simon's Republican opponent, Val Oshel of Harrisburg, disclaimed any connection with the document, said it was a bad reflection on the Oshel campaign and termed it "hitting below the belt."

Wayne DeLap, Simon's chairman, wrote letters last week to the FBI and the watchdog Fair Campaign Practices Committee requesting an immediate and thorough investigation.

According to DeLap, the pamphlet violates a federal law that requires campaign material carry the names of the individuals sponsoring it.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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— Decatur Herald

— Decatur, Illinois

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Paul Simon for Congress

October 25, 1974

Clarence M. Kelley, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
9th and Pennsylvania
Washington, D.C.

Dear Director Kelley:

Enclosed is a photocopy of a pamphlet attacking Paul Simon, Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives from the 24th District of Illinois. The pamphlet is being distributed in plain, unmarked envelopes via the United States mail to newspapers and to individuals in Southern Illinois.

It is our belief that this printed material violates Title 18, Section 612 of the United States Code, which requires that printed material relating to candidates for Congress and distributed through the mail must contain the "names of the persons, associations, committees or corporations responsible for the publication or distribution of the same, and the names of the officers of each such association, committee or corporation."

The only identification contained on the pamphlet is "Citizens for improved Public office holders within the 24th Congressional District of Illinois." There is no address or indication of officers of the alleged committee, and there is no evidence that any such organization exists.

We are asking that the F.B.I. make an immediate and complete investigation of the source of this printed material.



Paul Simon for Congress Committee

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cc: Carbondale Office, Federal Bureau of

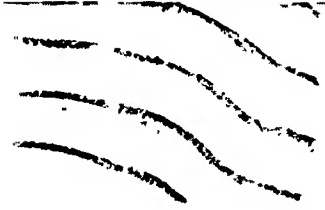
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To: SAC, Springfield

From: Director, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
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CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
PAUL SIMON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE,
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FROM THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[Redacted] - COMPLAINANT

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Enclosed are two copies each of a letter and envelope, with enclosure, received from Complainant, dated 10/25/74.

Upon receipt, contact victim, acknowledge his letter and obtain full details regarding any election laws complaint he desires to make. Handle pursuant to Section 35, Volume II, Manual of Instructions. SuLHM or surep based on results of interview.

Advise victim of our jurisdiction in election laws matters and that his complaint will be furnished to the Department of Justice for its consideration as to whether any Federal action is warranted. Should he have any further questions about the matter, he may wish to write directly to the Criminal Division, USDJ, Washington, D. C.

SuLHM or surep within 14 days upon receipt of this communication.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-152) (C)
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
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Re Bureau airtel dated 10/31/74, and Springfield airtel dated 10/30/74, captioned "UNKNOWN SUBJECT; CITIZENS FOR IMPROVED PUBLIC OFFICE, HOLDERS WITHIN THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS, ELECTION LAWS, OO: SPRINGFIELD".

Referenced Bureau airtel instructs victim be contacted and his letter acknowledged and advised of our jurisdiction in Election Laws matters and that his complaint will be furnished to the Department of Justice.

At the time [REDACTED] PAUL SIMON, candidate for Congress from the 24th District of Illinois, furnished the information contained in above referenced airtel, he was advised of those matters indicated above.

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In view of the above and the fact this matter has already been handled and LHM submitted with referenced airtel, no further action is being taken.

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Springfield, Illinois
November 8, 1974

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A letter dated November 5, 1974, was received by the Springfield Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation from United States Attorney, East St. Louis, Illinois. The letter reads as follows:

"Please determine if "Citizens for Improved Public Office Holders Within the 24th Congressional District of Illinois" is a viable and legitimate organization. Interview the officers of the association and determine the reason for their names being omitted from the pamphlet. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] may afford your agents some assistance."

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FBI

Date: 11/8/74

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Precedence)

To: Director, FBI
From: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-152) (C)

ATTENTION:
 GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
 CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
 CRIMINAL SECTION
 INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

Subject: UNSUBS; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
 - COMPLAINANT

- CR KL DIH CRA-64
- PA PE PF E
- DAMV DAMV-FR CAA
- AP IWFC CWAA FI
- EID Bomb Threats Extremist Matters
- White Hate Black

Summary of Complaint:

Re Springfield airtel dated 11/5/74.

For information of the Bureau, a letter was received from the USA's Office, East St. Louis, Illinois, which has been incorporated into an LHM, which is enclosed.

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 4)
- ① - Springfield (56-152)
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ACTION: UACB:

- No further action being taken and
- LHM enclosed
- FD-376 (Enc. to LHM)
- LHM being submitted
- Report being submitted
- Preliminary investigation instituted
- Limited investigation instituted
- Investigation continuing
- Copy to: USA _____
- Secret Service _____
- ATF _____

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Approved: _____
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11/14/74

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (62-0)

INFORMATION CONCERNING
CONGRESSMAN KENNETH J. GRAY,
24TH DISTRICT, STATE OF ILLINOIS

For the information of the Bureau, on 11/7/74, and 11/8/74, [redacted] Bendix Corporation, Kennedy Space Center, Florida, advised he was furnished information regarding captioned congressman from an acquaintance, [redacted] currently employed on GRAY's staff.

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[redacted] stated [redacted] related GRAY did not seek reelection on 11/5/74, after representing the State of Illinois in Congress for approximately 20 years because the noted columnist, [redacted] had threatened to "expose him". [redacted] further advised [redacted] alleged

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[redacted] had personally visited GRAY's office on several occasions in the past and it was during these visits [redacted] indicated to GRAY if he did seek reelection, he [redacted] would expose him regarding his activities. [redacted]

[redacted] advised [redacted] indicated these threats by [redacted] probably pertained to GRAY's association with other unidentified females and operating his fifty foot yacht named "Roll Call" at government expense. [redacted] also stated [redacted] had indicated in the past there was some corruption in GRAY's office, however she never mentioned specifics and she further advised GRAY was quite concerned over [redacted] threats.

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[redacted] advised [redacted] also stated prior to the election on November 5, 1974, literature was allegedly distributed in the 24th District of Illinois depicting a figure of (FNU) SIMONS (ph) attached to puppet strings.

[redacted] stated [redacted] advised SIMONS was seeking GRAY's reported seat in Congress. [redacted] further advised [redacted]

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this literature also depicted additional figures representing the organized crime element in the Chicago area and the purpose of this literature was to inform the public SIMONS would be controlled by the "Chicago mob".

[redacted] further advised [redacted] stated prior to this literature being distributed in the 24th District, she, [redacted] observed a copy of the literature in the possession of WILLIAM KNOWLEN, and investigator employed on GRAY's staff. [redacted] advised [redacted] stated no one was allegedly related to GRAY and he, KNOWLEN, thought the literature was very humorous. [redacted] also advised [redacted] stated she informed KNOWLEN she did not think that GRAY would think the literature would be very comical.

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[redacted] advised [redacted] reported on 11/6/74, numerous telephone calls were received at GRAY's office inquiring about the whereabouts of KNOWLEN. [redacted] advised [redacted] indicated KNOWLEN had departed the Washington, D.C., area, allegedly traveling on GRAY's yacht, and it was reported KNOWLEN was at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. [redacted] also advised [redacted] reported the callers never identified themselves and all personnel at GRAY's office were instructed not to provide any information concerning KNOWLEN's whereabouts except that he was out of town. [redacted] also advised [redacted] indicated there was an atmosphere of concern in GRAY's office on 11/6/74, regarding KNOWLEN as unconfirmed reports were being spread that the FBI was inquiring about KNOWLEN's present whereabouts. [redacted] further advised [redacted] stated it was definitely known KNOWLEN was in fact at Ft. Lauderdale however she did advise she made plane reservations for GRAY and he was traveling to Ft. Lauderdale, on 11/7/74.

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[redacted] advised he informed [redacted] he was going to contact the Cocoa, Florida, Resident Agency and furnish the above information to the FBI, Tampa, and identify her as being the source. [redacted] also stated if the FBI did have an interest in this matter, [redacted] indicated she would be a cooperative source. He advised however, [redacted] specifically stated she did not want to be divulged as the source of this information. [redacted] also advised if the FBI desired to contact [redacted] it would be best to contact her at her residence, [redacted] Virginia. He also advised [redacted] noted if inquiries are made by the FBI, regarding the above information, they should be discreetly made as it would not be difficult to speculate [redacted] was the source furnishing the above.

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On 11/11/74, [] advised he was telephonically
c ontacted by [] on the weekend of 11/9-10/74, and she
reported ~~KNOWLEN~~ unexpectedly returned to the D.C. area.
[] also advised [] also stated ~~KNOWLEN~~ appeared to
be concerned about the literature that was previously
distributed, and he did make mention he was not responsible
for this, but he knew who was. [] stated however,
[] advised KNOWLEN did not provide any names.

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11/22/74
(Date)

To: SACs, Springfield (56-152) (Encs. - 2) 
Tampa

From: Director, FBI


UNSUBS; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

 - COMPLAINANT
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ReTPairtel 11/14/74 captioned "Information Concerning Congressman Kenneth J. Gray, 24th District, State of Illinois," Tampa file 62-0.

Enclosed for Springfield are two copies of reTPairtel.

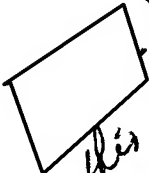
By return mail, Tampa suLHM information contained in reairtel utilizing caption of this communication.

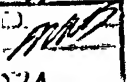

For information Springfield and Tampa Divisions, the contents of reTPairtel were discussed with , Fraud Section, Criminal Division, U. S. Department of Justice on 11/22/74, and he advised that it was possible further investigation would be requested by the Department into this matter in an effort to determine whether a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 612 (Distribution of Anonymous Campaign Literature) had occurred. Prior to requesting additional investigation, he desired to be furnished a memorandum containing the facts set forth in the Tampa communication.

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Springfield, Illinois
November 27, 1974

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS
CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
PAUL SIMON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE,
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FROM THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
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On November 26, 1974, the Honorable Paul Simon, Congressman elect from the 24th District of Illinois, personally contacted the Carbondale Resident Agency of the Federal Bureau of Investigation inquiring as to the status of investigation concerning the campaign literature distributed against him. Mr. Simon was advised the pamphlet and other data concerning it has been furnished to the Department for an opinion and that the FBI is awaiting further instructions from the Department. Congressman Simon indicated that he is desirous of learning if and when any further action will be taken and indicated that if the Department of Justice does not take any action he is going to request State investigation into the illegal distribution of literature.

Congressman Simon stated that he has recently returned from Washington, D. C. and while there learned that one Bill Knowlen, a former administrative assistant to Congressman Kenneth Gray, retiring Congressman from the 24th District of Illinois, prepared the literature in question and through the assistance of a [REDACTED] of Harrisburg, Illinois, was able to have the material printed. [REDACTED] has been known to be active in political circles in southern Illinois, and is the [REDACTED]

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and also has a job [REDACTED]

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FBI

Date: 11/27/74

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

- GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
- CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
- CRIMINAL SECTION
- INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

From: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-152) (C)

Subject: UNSUBS; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
[Redacted] - COMPLAINANT

- CR REL DIH CRA-64
- PA PE PF E
- DAMV DAMV-FR CAA
- AP IWFC CWAA FI
- EID Bomb Threats Extremist Matters
- White Hate Black

Summary of Complaint:

Re Springfield airtel and LHM dated 11/8/74, and Bureau airtel dated 11/22/74.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and three copies of an LHM.

Springfield will institute no active investigation until advised to do so by the Bureau based upon opinion of the Fraud Section of the Criminal Division of the Department. Also for information of the Bureau, as the result of LHM dated 10/30/74, being furnished to USA's Office, Springfield is in receipt of a letter from AUSA [Redacted] EDI, requesting

ACTION: UACB:

- No further action being taken and
- LHM enclosed
- FD-376 (Enc. to LHM)
- LHM being submitted
- Report being submitted
- Preliminary investigation instituted
- Limited investigation instituted
- Investigation continuing

2-Bureau (Enc. 4)
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interview of officers of the Association to determine their reason for their names being omitted from the pamphlet. AUSA [redacted] has been advised that there are no known officers of the "Citizens for Involved Public Office Holders Within the 24th Congressional District of Illinois".

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Tampa, Florida
November 27, 1974

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; ALLEGED
DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN
LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM
THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
[redacted] - COMPLAINANT

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On November 7 and November 8, 1974, [redacted]
Bendix Corporation, Kennedy Space Center, Florida, advised he
was furnished information regarding Congressman Kenneth J.
Gray from [redacted] an acquaintance of his who is currently
employed on Gray's staff. [redacted] related the following in-
formation to [redacted]

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Congressman Gray did not seek reelection on November
5, 1974, after representing the State of Illinois in Congress
for approximately twenty years because the noted columnist,
[redacted] had threatened to "expose him." [redacted] further
advised [redacted] alleged [redacted] had personally visited Gray's
office on several occasions in the past, and it was during
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named "Roll Call" at government expense. [redacted] also stated
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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; ALLEGED
DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN
LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM
THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

(First Name Unknown) Simons (phonetic) attached to puppet strings. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] advised Simons was seeking Gray's seat in Congress. [REDACTED] further advised [REDACTED] reported this literature also depicted additional figures representing the organized crime element in the Chicago area and the purpose of this literature was to inform the public Simons would be controlled by the "Chicago mob."

[REDACTED] further advised [REDACTED] stated prior to this literature being distributed in the 24th District, she, [REDACTED] observed a copy of the literature in the possession of William Knowlen, an investigator employed on Gray's staff. [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] stated Knowlen was allegedly related to Gray and he, Knowlen, thought the literature was very humorous. [REDACTED] also advised [REDACTED] stated she informed Knowlen she did not think that Gray would think the literature would be very comical.

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] reported on November 6, 1974, numerous telephone calls were received at Gray's office inquiring about the whereabouts of Knowlen. [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] indicated Knowlen had departed the Washington, D. C. area, allegedly traveling on Gray's yacht, and it was reported that Knowlen was at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. [REDACTED] also advised [REDACTED] reported the callers never identified themselves, and all personnel at Gray's office were instructed not to provide any information concerning Knowlen's whereabouts except that he was out of town. [REDACTED] also advised [REDACTED] indicated there was an atmosphere of concern in Gray's office on November 6, 1974, regarding Knowlen, as unconfirmed reports were being spread that the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) was inquiring about Knowlen's present whereabouts. [REDACTED] further advised [REDACTED] stated it was definitely known Knowlen was, in fact, at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; however, she did advise she made plane reservations for Gray and he was traveling to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, on November 7, 1974.

[REDACTED] advised he informed [REDACTED] he was going to contact the Cocoa, Florida, Resident Agency of the FBI and furnish

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LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM
THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

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the above information to the FBI, Tampa, Florida, and identify her as being the source. [REDACTED] also stated if the FBI did have an interest in this matter, [REDACTED] indicated she would be a cooperative source. He advised, however, [REDACTED] specifically stated she did not want to be divulged as the source of this information. [REDACTED] also advised if the FBI desired to contact [REDACTED] it would be best to contact her at her residence, [REDACTED] Virginia. He also advised [REDACTED] noted if inquiries are made by the FBI regarding the above information, they should be discreetly made as it would not be difficult to speculate [REDACTED] was the source furnishing the above.

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On November 11, 1974, [REDACTED] advised he was telephonically contacted by [REDACTED] on the weekend of November 9 - 10, 1974, and she reported Knowlen unexpectedly returned to the Washington, D. C. area. [REDACTED] also advised [REDACTED] also stated Knowlen appeared to be concerned about the literature that was previously distributed, and he did make mention he was not responsible for this, but he knew who was. [REDACTED] stated, however, [REDACTED] advised Knowlen did not provide any names.

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Date: 11/27/74

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

From: SAC, TAMPA (56-56) (C)

- GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
- CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
- CRIMINAL SECTION
- INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

Subject: **UNSUBS; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**
 [Redacted] - **COMPLAINANT**

- CR XSL DHI CRA-64
- PA PE PF E
- DAMV DAMV-FR CAA
- AP IWPC OWAA FI
- FID Bomb Targets Extremist Matters
- White Hate Black

Summary of Complaint:

Re Tampa airtel to Bureau, 11/14/74, captioned, "INFORMATION CONCERNING CONGRESSMAN KENNETH J. GRAY, 24TH DISTRICT, STATE OF ILLINOIS," and Bureau airtel to Springfield and Tampa, 11/22/74.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM, and for Springfield three copies of LHM, with one designated for USA, Springfield.

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- ② - Springfield (Enc. 3) (56-152)
- 1 - Tampa

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ACTION: UACB:

- No further action being taken and
- LHM enclosed
- FD-376 (Enc. to LHM)
- LHM being submitted
- Report being submitted
- Preliminary investigation instituted
- Limited investigation instituted
- Investigation continuing

- Copy to: USA **SPRINGFIELD**
- Secret Service
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Springfield, Illinois
December 11, 1974

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OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
PAUL SIMON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, UNITED
STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, FROM
THE 24th DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT
ELECTION LAWS**

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On December 4, 1974, a source advised that one Bill Nolen, formerly an Administrative Assistant to Congressman Kenneth J. Gray of the 24th Congressional District of Illinois, during the November, 1974, elections, worked "behind the scenes" and supported the candidacy of Val Oshel, Harrisburg, Illinois, who was opposing Paul Simon for the 24th Congressional District seat in Illinois. Nolen was familiar with the "An Open Letter to All Residents of Southern Illinois" and may have been instrumental in its preparation. Bill Nolen currently is working on the staff of the House Committee on Oversight, which is a subcommittee that reports to the House Public Works Commission, according to the source.

In addition, the same source indicated that information in his possession would indicate that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was responsible for the printing of the document in question which was entitled "An Open Letter to All Residents of Southern Illinois" and bore the author as being "Citizens for Improved Public Office Holders Within the 24th Congressional District of Illinois", but did not set forth the identity of these citizens.

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Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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FBI

Date: 12/11/74

Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Precedence)

To: Director, FBI
From: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (66-152) (P)

ATTENTION:
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
CRIMINAL SECTION
INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

Subject: UNSUBS; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, FROM THE 24th DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS:

- COMPLAINANT
DAMV DAMV-FR EID Bomb Threats Extremist Matters White Hate Black
CRA-64 PA PE PF E CAA AP IWFC CWAA FI

Summary of Complaint:

Re Bureau letter to Springfield and Tampa dated 11/22/74. Tampa airtel to Bureau dated 11/27/74. Springfield airtel to Bureau dated 11/27/74.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and three copies of an LHM. Enclosed for WFO is one copy of instant LHM and one copy of LHM dated 11/27/74 at Tampa, Florida.

Source referred to in LHM is who requests that his identity not be disclosed.

ACTION: UACB:

2-Bureau (Enc. 4)
2-WFO (Enc. 2)
2-Springfield (66-152)
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- No further action being taken and
LHM enclosed
Copy to: USA East St. Louis, Illinois
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LHM being submitted
Report being submitted
Preliminary investigation instituted
Limited investigation instituted
Investigation continuing

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Approved: Special Agent in Charge Sent M Per

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Copies of this communication being furnished WFO for information in the event it is necessary to interview BILL NOLEN, formerly Administrative Assistant to Congressman KENNETH J. GRAY, 24th District of Illinois, and currently employed on the staff of the House Committee on Oversight, which is a subcommittee that reports to the House Public Works Commission.

It is suggested the Bureau determine from the Department of Justice if any further investigation is required in this matter.

It appears in the event further investigation is conducted, an interview of [redacted] Illinois, would be logical after the interview of above NOLEN.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-152) (P)

UNSUB;
Alleged Distribution of Anonymous
Campaign Literature Against
PAUL SIMON,
Democratic Candidate,
United States House of Representatives,
24th District of Illinois;
[redacted] - Complainant
ELECTION LAWS

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Re Springfield airtels to the Bureau dated 12/11/74
and 11/25/74, Tampa airtel to the Bureau dated 11/27/74.

For the information of the Bureau, Congressman Elect
PAUL SIMON, 24th District of Illinois, has indicated previously
that he desires to be advised if the Department of Justice
intends to take any action concerning instant matter. Congress-
man SIMON stated that if the U. S. Department of Justice does
not take any action, he will endeavor to secure the services
of the state police of the State of Illinois to continue the
investigation into the illegal distribution of literature
referred to in this matter.

Since Congressman SIMON furnished the identity of
the former Administrative Assistant to Congressman KENNETH
GRAY and the identity of the [redacted]
[redacted] as having knowledge and possibly was involved in the
printing and distribution of the anonymous campaign literature,
it is felt that logically these two individuals should be inter-
viewed. Bureau authority is requested to allow WFO to locate
and interview former Administrative Assistant BILL NOLAN
currently employed on the staff of the House Committee on
Oversight reporting to the House Public Works Commission, and
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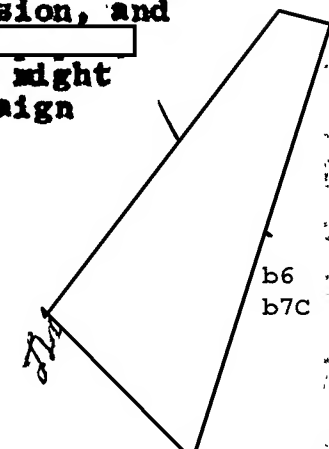
[redacted] Illinois, regarding any information they might
have concerning the printing or distribution of campaign
literature referred to in previous communications.

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TO: SACs Springfield (56-152) - Enc. 2
Washington Field - Enc. 2
From: Director, FBI (56-5029)

2/24/75
(Date)

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS
CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
PAUL SIMON, U. S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[redacted] - COMPLAINANT
ELECTION LAWS

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Enclosed are two copies of a self-explanatory Departmental letter dated 2/18/75.

Complete the requested investigation in accordance with the provisions of
Section 35, Volume II, Manual of Instructions, and surep within 14
days of the receipt of this communication.

State in the first paragraph of the details of your report that it contains the results
of a limited investigation and underscore the word limited
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Advise all persons interviewed
 appropriate officials at the outset that this investigation is being
conducted at the specific request of the U. S. Department of Justice.

Remarks: Springfield Division immediately furnish WFO sufficient
background information concerning this matter in order that
they can conduct a coherent interview of Nolen. WFO hold Nolen's
interview in abeyance until information received from Spring-
field. For information of both offices, Congressman Simon is
being advised of the institution of this investigation by
FBIHQ.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (56-5029)
FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-152) (P)
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS
CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
PAUL SIMON, U. S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT
ELECTION LAWS

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Re Bureau airtel to Springfield and WFO dated 2/24/75, and Springfield airtel and LHM to the Bureau and WFO dated 12/11/74.

Enclosed for the Assistance of WFO in conducting the interview with HILL NOLAN is Springfield airtel and LHM dated 10/30/74.

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3/4/75

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (56-5029)

FROM: SAC, WFO (56-488) (P)

UNSUB; Alleged Distribution of
Anonymous Campaign Literature Against
PAUL SIMON, U.S. Congressman, 24th
Congressional District of Illinois;

[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

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Re SI airtel, 2/27/75, and Bu airtel, 2/24/75.

Inquiry disclosed BILL NOLAN, aka William O. Nolan is currently on vacation and expected to return to Washington on 3/12/75. NOLAN currently employed by House Committee on Investigations and Review, rather than the House Committee on Oversight.

Upon NOLAN's return, WFO will expeditiously effect requested interview.

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- ② Springfield (Info)
- 1- WFO

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (56-5029)

FROM: SAC, WFO (56-488) (RUC)

UNSUB; Alleged Distribution of
Anonymous Campaign Literature Against
PAUL SIMON, U.S. Congressman, 24th
Congressional District of Illinois;
[redacted] - COMPLAINANT

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Re Buairtel of 2/24/75; Springfield Airtel of
2/27/75 and WFO airtel of 3/4/75.

On 3/10/75, WILLIAM O. NOLAN, Investigator,
Sub-committee on Investigations and Review, Committee on
Public Works, U.S. House of Representatives, was interviewed
re captioned. Before any questions were asked, NOLAN was
advised of the nature of the inquiry and that the inquiry
was being conducted at the specific request of the U.S.
Department of Justice and that it was a limited inquiry. NOLAN
declined to answer any questions regarding captioned after
being advised of his rights to silence and to consult with an
attorney.

NOLAN furnished the following biographical data:

Address: 5908 John Adams Drive
Camp Springs, Maryland

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- ②- Springfield
- 1- WFO

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Telephone:

301-449-8997 (Home)
202-225-3274 (Office)
10/7/33, Wayne County,
Detroit, Michigan

DOB:

321-26-8896

SSAN:

Former Employment:

Administrative Aide to former
U.S. Congressman KENNETH GRAY

3/12/75

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (56-5029)
 FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-162) (P)
 SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
 Alleged Distribution of
 Anonymous Campaign Literature
 Against PAUL SIMON,
 U. S. Congressman,
 24th District of Illinois;
 [Redacted] Complainant
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Re Springfield letters to the Bureau dated 1/21/75 and 2/27/75 and Bureau letter to Springfield dated 2/24/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and three copies of an LHM with two copies to WFO. One copy furnished U. S. Attorney, EDI, East St. Louis, Illinois.

LEADS: WFO DIVISION

WFO will complete investigation and interview with NOLEN.

SPRINGFIELD DIVISION:

Will contact additional printing firms located within the 24th District in an effort to determine the printer of the anonymous campaign literature.

- 2 - Bureau (56-5029) (Encls. 4)
- 2 - WFO (Encls. 2) (56-488)
- 2 - Springfield (56-152)

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Springfield, Illinois
March 12, 1978

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE
AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN
24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
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AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN
24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

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On March 10, 1975, the following printing establishments were contacted regarding the preparation of the pamphlet and those contacted acknowledged fact they had offset type presses but when exhibited the pamphlet bearing the identity "Citizens for Improved Public Office Holders Within the 24th Congressional District of Illinois" they denied any knowledge or preparation of this pamphlet:

The Herald Printing,
Carbondale, Illinois

Adams Printing Company,
Carbondale, Illinois

Hill Printing Company,
Marion, Illinois

Murphysboro Printing,
Murphysboro, Illinois

Benton Standard Printing,
Benton, Illinois

Anna Printing,
Anna, Illinois.

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Date of transcription March 12, 1975

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[redacted] advised that during the campaign prior to the November, b7C
1974 election he assisted Mr. VAL OSHEL, candidate for Congress,
24th Congressional District, in various ways as a nonpaid employee
of Mr. OSHEL's staff. [redacted] explained that due to [redacted]
[redacted] Mr. OSHEL, and the fact that OSHEL was a life long
resident of [redacted], he acted in an advisement capacity to
Mr. OSHEL as [redacted]

[redacted] related that during the same period of time b6
prior to the 1974 general election, he [redacted] b7C
[redacted] OSHEL, not only for [redacted]
[redacted]

With regard to the pamphlet issued by the "Citizens
for Improved Public Office Holders Within the 24th Congressional
District", [redacted] stated that he received one such pamphlet in
the mail as he recalls during October or early November and further
that he feels the return address reflected the pamphlet was mailed
from Carbondale, Illinois. [redacted] stated that after receiving b6
and reading the pamphlet, he immediately went to the OSHEL head- b7C
quarters where he questioned the staff aiding OSHEL to see if
any of these individuals were responsible for the preparation of
the pamphlet. [redacted] stated that the various paid and voluntary
workers that he questioned did not even know of the pamphlet and
none had seen one of the pamphlets. [redacted] stated that Mr.
OSHEL himself was very upset over the pamphlet and was at a loss
to advise who might have been prompted to prepare such a pamphlet.
[redacted] stated that in addition, he contacted numerous individuals
in the news media in Southern Illinois and it was determined by
him that most of the pamphlets were sent only to newspapers and
radio stations and not distributed to the general public.

With regard to said pamphlet, [redacted] stated that in b6
his opinion the pamphlet was extremely crude, poorly written and b7C
probably prepared by someone who was not in the journalism field.
In addition, [redacted] stated due to his many years of experience
in the printing business, the pamphlet was prepared on an offset
type printer of which many exist throughout the southern Illinois
area.

Interviewed on 3/6/75 at Harrisburg, Illinois File # SI 56-152-26 b6
by SA [redacted] /bbs Date dictated 3/11/75 b7C

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[redacted] stated that he is acquainted with a BILL NOLEN who was formerly from Harrisburg, Illinois area and for a period of time was the administrative assistant to former Congressman KENNETH GRAY of the 24th District of Illinois.

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[redacted] stated he has no idea as to who was responsible for preparation of the pamphlet pertaining to Congressman PAUL SIMON.

AIRTEL

3/12/75

To: SAC, WFO (56-488)

From: Director, FBI (56-5089)

UNSUB; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
PAUL SIMON, U. S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
OF ILLINOIS;

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[redacted] - COMPLAINANT

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ReWFOairtel dated 3/10/75.

Insure information contained in reairtel
is submitted in proper format.

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① - SAC, Springfield

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (56-5029)
FROM: SAC, WFO (56-488) (RUC)

UNSUB;
Alleged Distribution of Anonymous Campaign
Literature Against Paul Simon, ~~US~~ Congressman,
24th Congressional District of Illinois;
[REDACTED] COMPLAINANT. ✓ 56-152*

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Re Bu airtels, 3/12/75 and 3/14/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau and Springfield are five
and two copies respectively of an LHM captioned as above.

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② - Springfield (Enc. 2) *max*
1 - WFO

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Washington, D.C. 20535
March 18, 1975

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
Alleged Distribution of
Anonymous Campaign Literature
Against Paul Simon, U.S. Congressman,
24th Congressional District of Illinois
[redacted] - COMPLAINANT
ELECTION LAWS

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On March 10, 1975, William O. Nolen, Investigator, Subcommittee on Investigations and Reviews, Committee on Public Works, U.S. House of Representatives, was interviewed regarding above captioned matter.

Before any questions were asked, Nolen was furnished Advice of Rights form, which he read, but declined to sign. He stated he understood his rights to silence and his rights to consult with an attorney. Nolen was advised of the nature of the inquiry and that the inquiry was being conducted at the specific request of the U.S. Department of Justice and finally that it was a limited inquiry.

Nolen declined to answer any questions regarding the matter.

Nolen then furnished the following biographical data:

Address:	5908 John Adams Drive, Camp Springs, Maryland
Telephone:	301-449-8997 (home) 202-225-3274 (office)
Date of birth:	October 7, 1933, Detroit, Michigan
Social Security Account No.:	321-26-8896
Former employment:	Administrative Aide to former Congressman Kenneth Gray

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3/19/75

To: SAC, WFO (56-488)
From: Director, FBI (56-5029)

UNSUB; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE
AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
U. S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

ELECTION LAWS

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ReWFOairtel 3/10/75; Buairtel to WFO, 3/12/75; and
WFOairtel and LHM, 3/18/75.

ReWFOairtel dated 3/10/75 was an RUC communication
setting forth the results of an interview with William O.
Nolen, Investigator, Subcommittee on Investigations and
Review, Committee on Public Works, U. S. House of
Representatives. ReBuairtel instructed your office to insure
that information contained in the 3/10/75 airtel was submitted
in proper format. In response, your office submitted reairtel
and LHM dated 3/18/75. The information contained in the
details of this LHM still is not in proper format.

You are referred to the FBI Handbook for Special
Agents, Part I, Page 37, Item F, which, in essence, states
that whenever a person being interviewed could be called upon
to testify at any time in the future in a trial, results of
the interview shall be reported on FD-302.

① - SAC, Springfield (56-162)

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RE: UNSUB; [REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

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By return mail, submit report or LHM recording the interview of Nolen in proper form, in accordance with the above-cited Bureau instructions. Score form errors to appropriate investigative and supervisory personnel. Dissemination of reLHM will not be made. In the future, insure these matters are assigned to experienced Agents who are aware of proper reporting procedures.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (56-5029)

FROM: SAC, WFO (56-488) (RUC)

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UNSUB;
Alleged Distribution of Anonymous Campaign
Literature Against Paul Simon, U.S. Congressman,
24th Congressional District of Illinois;

[Redacted] COMPLAINANT

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Re Buairtel of 3/19/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and
four copies of an LHM with two copies for Springfield.

- 2- Bureau (Enc. 5)
- ② Springfield (Enc. 2) *bf*
- 1- WFO

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Washington, D.C. 20535
March 21, 1975

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE
AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN
24TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT
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Date of transcription 3/12/751

WILLIAM O. NOLAN, Investigator, Subcommittee on Investigations and Reviews, Committee on Public Works, U.S. House of Representatives, was contacted for interview.

Before any questions were asked, NOLAN was furnished an Advice of Rights form, which he read, but declined to sign. He stated he understood his rights to silence and his right to consult with an attorney. NOLAN was advised that a limited inquiry was being conducted at the specific request of the Department of Justice regarding the alleged distribution of anonymous campaign literature against PAUL SIMON, U.S. Congressman, 24th Congressional District of Illinois, which appeared during 1974 campaign.

NOLAN declined to answer any questions regarding the matter.

NOLAN then furnished the following biographical data:

Address:	5908 John Adams Drive, Camp Springs, Maryland
Telephone:	301-449-8997 (home) 202-225-3274 (office)
Date of birth:	October 7, 1933, Detroit, Michigan
Social Security #:	321-26-8896
Former Employment:	Administrative Aide to former Congressman KENNETH GRAY

Interviewed on 3/10/75 at Washington, D.C. File # WFO 56-488

by SA [redacted] Date dictated 3/11/75

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(Date)

To: SAC, Springfield
From: Director, FBI (56-5029)

UNSUB; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE
AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
U. S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[Redacted] - COMPLAI NANT

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ReWFOairtel and LHM, 3/21/75.

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Springfield, Illinois
April 11, 1975

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE
AGAINST PAUL SIMON
UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN,
84TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

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The following listed printing establishments located throughout southern Illinois were contacted during the period of March 19, 1975 to April 4, 1975. The printing establishments contacted were generally all in agreement that pamphlet in question would be a "cold type" or a varitype production.

B and B Printing,
904 South Buchanan,
Marion, Illinois

Little Egyptian Printing,
Energy, Illinois

Bond Printing,
213 West Monroe,
Herrin, Illinois

Beaton Standard Printing,
Beaton, Illinois

Anna Printing Service,
Anna, Illinois

Hill Printing Service,
110 North Jackson,
Marion, Illinois.

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AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
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[REDACTED] owner of the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Illinois, upon
viewing pamphlet in question, opined that the pamphlet was
probably prepared on an A. B. Bick offset type printing machine
which he stated from his long years of experience can be
found in any school building, particularly a high school,
and generally in any church office of a large type church
wherein church bulletins are printed. [REDACTED] stated that
the paper size is standard and is folded similar to that
and the texture used by churches in preparing church bulletins.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (56-5029)

4/11/75

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-152) (C)

UNSUB;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE
AGAINST PAUL SIMON,
U. S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[redacted] - COMPLAINANT

EL

OO: Springfield

Re Springfield airtel and LHM dated 3/12/75 and
Bureau airtel to Springfield dated 4/7/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and three
copies of an LHM. One copy furnished USA, EDI, East St.
Louis, Illinois.

All logical leads have been exhausted in this
matter and no suspects have been developed. As indicated in
body of LHM, printers contacted indicate that type of pamphlet
could have been prepared in any church basement where church
bulletins are prepared, consequently no tracing can be made of
pamphlet.

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4/14/75

To: SACs, WFO (56-488)
Springfield (56-152)

From: Director, FBI (56-5029)

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS
CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
PAUL SIMON, U. S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
OF ILLINOIS:

[redacted] COMPLAINANT
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Congressman Simon's Office has advised FBIHQ
that [redacted] who works in Congressman Simon's
Office in Washington, D. C., has "knowledge" concerning
this matter.

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WFO promptly interview [redacted] for any
information she has regarding this matter.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, WFO (56-488)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-152)(P)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
 ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS
 CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
 PAUL SIMON, U. S. CONGRESSMAN,
 24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
 OF ILLINOIS;

[redacted] COMPLAINANT
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Re Bureau airtel to WFO dated 4/14/75.

Inasmuch as Congressman SIMON was in contact with FBIHQ furnishing the identity of [redacted] an employee of SIMON having knowledge of instant matter, it is suggested that pursuant to Bureau instructions, that [redacted] be promptly interviewed.

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Inasmuch as the only lead outstanding in this matter is the interview of [redacted] it is suggested that WFO prepare the results of the interview in LHM form.

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2 -WFO (56-488)
 ② - Springfield (56-152)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (56-152)

DATE: 6/5/75

FROM : SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD (56-488) (RUC)

WFO

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS
CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST
PAUL SIMON, U.S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
OF ILLINOIS;

[REDACTED] -COMPLAINANT
ELECTION LAWS
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Re Bu Airtel dated 4/14/75.
Bu Airtel dated 4/28/75 to WFO.
SI Airtel dated 5/22/75.

Enclosed for SI is one copy of report of
SA [REDACTED] dated 4/30/75.

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In that all leads in this matter have been
covered, this office is placing this matter in an RUC
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE WASHINGTON FIELD	OFFICE OF ORIGIN SPRINGFIELD	DATE 4/30/75	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/17/75
TITLE OF CASE UNSUBS; ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON, U.S. CONGRESSMAN, 24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS; [Redacted] - COMPLAINANT		REPORT MADE BY SA [Redacted]	TYPED BY mrh
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REFERENCE: Bureau airtel dated 4/14/75.

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Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED]

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Date: April 30, 1975

Field Office File #: 56-488

Bureau File #: 56-5029

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN
LITERATURE AGAINST PAUL SIMON, U.S. CONGRESSMAN,
24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;

Character: [REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT

CHARACTER: ELECTION LAWS

Synopsis: On 4/17/75, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
both Administrative Assistants to Representative SIMON,
were interviewed in the Congressman's office without his
being present. Both individuals stated that Mr. WILLIAM
NOLAN had possession of a pamphlet entitled "An Open
Letter To All Residents of Southern Illinois". Furthermore,
that he read the same to them and acknowledged complicity
in its composition and distribution.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

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[redacted] Staff Assistant to Congressman PAUL SIMON of the 24th District of Illinois, was interviewed on April 17, 1975, regarding a pamphlet entitled, "An Open Letter To All Residents of Southern Illinois".

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[redacted] began that the first time she heard of the pamphlet's existence was in late summer or early fall of 1974. She, [redacted] and WILLIAM NOLEN were in former Congressman GRAY's office, when NOLEN closed the doors to the office, turned to those present while exhibiting the pamphlet and announced his intention to read it. After reading it, [redacted] told him he was crazy. Brushing that aside, NOLEN queried them as to how effective they felt it would be with the voters. They conceded that in all probability it would have some adverse effect against Mr. SIMON. It was not particularly venomous, but it definitely was in extremely poor taste. Wanting to be rid of him, she reopened the doors. [redacted] had to take a call in the other room and left. [redacted] left to go to work. Before departing, NOLEN came over to her desk and stated, while holding the pamphlet in his hand, that this would be published and circulated. With that he left. [redacted] concluded by advising that that was her only contact with the pamphlet.

Interviewed on 4/17/75 at Washington, D.C. File # WFO 56-488

by SA [redacted] mrh Date dictated 4/23/75

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[redacted] Administrative Assistant to PAUL SIMON, Representative of the 24th District of Illinois, was interviewed on April 17, 1975, regarding a pamphlet entitled, "An Open Letter To All Residents of Southern Illinois".

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[redacted] stated she first became aware of the pamphlet on the day former President RICHARD MILHOUS NIXON departed the White House. It was during the morning hours of that day that she, [redacted]

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[redacted] were watching the former President's last speech on the television in former Congressman GRAY's office, Room 2372, the Rayburn Building. During the speech, Mr. WILLIAM NOLEN came in and joined the others before the portable television. [redacted] left the room after the speech and was followed into the corridor by WILLIAM NOLEN. He showed her a pamphlet while standing in the corridor and asked, "Do you know who this is?"

[redacted] replied, "No".

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Shaking the pamphlet in front of her, NOLEN asked her to look it over. Upon studying it, she recognized PAUL SIMON suspended as a puppet by a derbyed man with a cigar in his mouth. At this point, NOLEN asked her if she recognized the man on top. [redacted] said no she did not.

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NOLEN then told her, "That's Mayor DALEY and Mayor DALEY will be pulling the strings".

[redacted] added that the whole idea of it, especially on the day President NIXON was stepping down, was too much. She turned and left him standing there.

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Later in the day, [redacted] another of the office workers, approached [redacted] and asked if she had seen the material that NOLEN had regarding SIMON. She replied that all she had seen was the caricature of SIMON as a puppet. [redacted] then told [redacted] that NOLEN had eight or ten pages on SIMON.

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In October of 1974, while in GRAY's office with NOLEN, [redacted] and [redacted], WILLIAM NOLEN read the pamphlet in its entirety. Upon NOLEN's finishing it, [redacted] asked if Mr. GRAY knew that he had it and who had written it.

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NOLEN replied only, "A bunch of us".

Much of the conversation she does not remember, but during its course, the name of a [redacted] [redacted] arose. She could not remember the context in which [redacted] name appeared.

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In late October of 1974, NOLEN confided in her that they would hit SIMON with this just before the election. In addition, NOLEN said that he hoped [redacted] would serve only one term and then step down so NOLEN could run. NOLEN then related to her that [redacted] had stated in conversation with NOLEN that he, [redacted] told the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), that he had not seen the pamphlet until he was campaigning in White County, Illinois. NOLEN then added, "that S.O.B. saw that pamphlet all summer long".

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[redacted] further stated that she asked Congressman GRAY if he had seen the pamphlet. His reply was, Yes, but that it was pages long and that he did not have the time to read it in its entirety.

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June 26, 1975

Mr. Henry A. Schwarz
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Eastern District of Illinois
Federal Building
East St. Louis, Illinois 62201

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Attention:
Assistant United States Attorney

Re: Unknown Subjects;
Alleged Distribution of Anonymous
Campaign Literature Against
Paul Simon, U. S. Congressman,
24th Congressional District of
Illinois;
 - Complainant
Election Laws

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

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Attached to this letter is a report of Special Agent dated April 30, 1975, reflecting results of interview with two administrative assistants to Representative Paul Simon wherein they indicate that William Nolen, former administrative assistant to Congressman Kenneth Gray, acknowledged complicity in its composition and distribution of the distribution of anonymous campaign literature against Paul Simon during the period of time he was running for the U. S. Congress seat for the 24th Congressional District in Illinois.

As your records will show, other investigation conducted by the Springfield Division has failed to locate the place where pamphlet may have been printed and further, for your information, when contacted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation William Nolen refused to be interviewed.

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Mr. Henry A. Schwarz
East St. Louis, Illinois 62201
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All logical investigation in this matter has been completed and prior to closing this matter, your prosecutive opinion is desired.

Very truly yours,


VICTOR R. SCHAEFER
Special Agent in Charge

DIRECTOR, FBI (56-5029)

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UNSUBS;
ALLEGED DISTRIBUTION OF
ANONYMOUS CAMPAIGN LITERATURE
AGAINST PAUL SIMON, U. S.
CONGRESSMAN, 24TH CONGRESSIONAL
DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS;
[REDACTED] - COMPLAINANT
ELECTION LAWS

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Re WFO report of SA [REDACTED] dated 4/30/75.

For the information of the Bureau, prior to closing instant matter, the above referenced report along with other information developed during investigation has been furnished to the USA's Office, Eastern District of Illinois, at East St. Louis, Illinois, for a prosecutive opinion.

As the Bureau is aware, WILLIAM NOLEN, who has acknowledged in the past complicity in the composition and distribution of the questioned literature to current employees of Congressman PAUL SIMON, refused to be interviewed by the FBI and no other evidence has been developed indicating the source of the pamphlet or other conspirators if there were any in the preparation of the pamphlet. In order that this matter may be brought to a logical conclusion, it is felt that a ruling by the USA's Office in the Eastern District of Illinois, should be made prior to the Bureau closing its investigation.

The opinion of the USA in the Eastern District of Illinois will be secured and the Bureau will be kept advised of all developments.

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Investigation as requested by the Department in this case has been completed and forwarded to the Department for their consideration as to any further Federal action they may deem necessary. Such decision will be made by the Department, and you are instructed not to solicit the prosecutive opinion of the U. S. Attorney in the Eastern District of Illinois.

Close your case. Should the Department desire further inquiry, you will be advised in an appropriate manner.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, *Springfield, 56-152x*

DATE: *3/3/77*

FROM : SAC, *WFO*

RE: FILE DESTRUCTION PROGRAM

SUBJECT: *Unsub; Alleged Distribution of anonymous*
campaign literature against Paul Simon, U.S. Congressman,
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ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. DO NOT BLOCK STAMP.

Enclosed are *3* items of evidentiary nature. These items are forwarded your office since you were OO at the time our case was RUC'd. Enclosures are described as follows:



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